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DEPARTMENT OF THE CLOTHES.

The Denver Tribune is advocating high license in that city. It says \$1,000 a year is low enough for any saloon, and \$5,000 would not be too high.

A California paper claims that a natural vinegar well has been struck in that State. Now if somebody will only tap a fountain of Jersey lightning the flow of gladness will be unbounded.

The yield of oats in the United States in the year just closed exceeded that of any previous year by over 100,000,000 bushels, while the production of rye fell off nearly 4,000,000 bushels, and of barley nearly the same.

Jesse Morrison, a Democratic member of Congress from the Seventeenth Illinois District, is out in a card declining to be a candidate for re-election. Now Eden and Yancey can fight it out between them. If the gentleman from Macoupin should happen to step on his competitor that would settle it.

Mr. Townsend, of Illinois, who has introduced a bill in the House to pay pensions to all survivors of the Mexican and Blackhawk wars, is pretty confident that the bill will pass both Houses this winter. He finds that the Pension Committee is favorable to it. All the Blackhawk survivors are Illinois men.

Railroad construction in this country has not been so extensive in 1883 as it was in 1882. In the latter year 11,591 miles of new track were constructed; the number of miles constructed in 1883 was 6,908. There are now about 120,000 miles of railway in operation in the United States. The new construction of 1883 has been as much as in only three years in the history of American railroads, namely, in 1880, 7,111 miles, in 1881, 9,481 miles, in 1882, 11,591 miles.

The organ of Senator Pendleton, the Cincinnati News Journal, says: "It is a square fight between the Democracy of the State and the bosses, the rings, the Standard Oil monopoly, for itself and as a representative of the monopoly idea, the office brokerage politicians, and bummerism." Now after the "bosses and rings and bummerism" win, just notice how submissive the News Journal will become. It will shoot itself horse for the success of the pure and honest Democratic party.

Gen. Grant must feel amply repaid for all the suffering his recent accident has caused him by reading of the general interest and sympathy which it has excited throughout the country. The old hero is easily first of all American citizens in the hearts of the people. Not all the misrepresentation and detraction of political enemies has ever shaken the popular faith in his integrity and his greatness, or dulled the popular sense of gratitude to him for his patriotic and splendid services.

The New York Times, which is leading the "boast" campaign against stocks of every sort, ventures the prediction that Jay Gould will collapse during the coming year as Vanderbilt has done. It couples this statement, however, with the charge that Mr. Gould has hitherto sold all his stocks while they were at tip-top prices, and left the reeling tide to swamp those who bought from him. As both these charges appear in the same survey of the business situation, it becomes an interesting query how, if the second charge be true, the first can be otherwise than false.

The Indianapolis Journal gives the following notice to its readers: "Let us try the value of a steady, persistent enforcement of the law during 1884. We believe this year to be more to repress the spirit of mob violence than the election of Sullivan is to the country. The enforcement of the law through the regularly organized courts would have no occasion for Judge Lynch's summary methods. Try law."

The verdict of not guilty in the Emma Bond case will, we think, disappoint those who have closely followed the testimony and fully acquainted themselves with the facts. Conviction was expected, and would have been justified as at least one of the reasons. But the trial was conducted in due form of law and all good citizens are bound to accept its result in good faith. They are not, however, prohibited from getting that a villainous crime has gone unpunished. - (Halle Democrat.)

The Virginia statute making dueling an offense punishable by disfranchisement and disqualification for office is to be repealed. Duelling has been reduced to such a fine point in that State that nobody ever gets hurt at it unless he happens to fall by stabbing his toe, and consequently there isn't any further use for a law against it.

The name of Robert Lincoln, secretary of war, appears to be looming up as a candidate for the vice presidency on the Republican ticket with a suggestiveness that recalls the memory of his father, the first Republican President and the leader in the great work of emancipation. He is put forth as a candidate chiefly by western interests, and his name seems to revive the traditional prestige of the Illinois Republicans.

The greater part of the Legislature which met this year are about getting to work. Business questions, as usual, are those of the highest importance. And yet in several States politics will make more stir. In Ohio, for instance, a red-hot fight over the Senate is in progress, with every prospect that bummerism and monopoly will outvote statesmanship in other words, that Mr. Linn, book-writer and the Standard Oil Company will defeat Mr. Pendleton. There is a somewhat similar state of affairs in New York, where Senator Warner Miller is bossing the organization of the Assembly in furtherance of his war upon President Arthur. In Massachusetts Ben Butler takes leave of the State House, for the present. Several Southern State Legislatures will have a chance, which they are not likely to improve, to diminish Kluksklism.

THE FIRE LADIES.

Blotting of Officers—The Rescue-Prize Raffle.

The members of the Alerts Hook and Ladder Company met last night and elected officers as follows: Lewis Anthony, Foreman; Ralph W. Drew, First Assistant; David Hughes, Second Assistant; Frank Hughes, Treasurer; A. W. Hake, Secretary; W. Kays, Financial Secretary.

REDACTED WITH A REVENUE.

The Rescuers also met and elected officers as follows:

George Kraft, Captain; F. B. Wambacher, 1st Lieut.; C. W. Jones, 2d Lieut.; G. E. Houtman, Secretary; A. N. Diehl, Financial Secretary; W. W. Foster, Treasurer; Ed. Leach, 1st Pipeman; Mark Usher, 2d ";

The Standing Committee is made up of J. H. O'Neill, G. E. Pratt, Frank Wambacher, J. S. Hayes and John DeFries. The elegant \$200 tea set won by the company at Quincy, was disposed of at a sale, and Ed. Leach captured it. The sale prices of five dollars each were won by J. S. Hayes, George Pratt, Frank Wambacher and Fred Mueller. The raffle was confined to members of the company. The boys wound up the evening's business by partaking of a thin oyster supper at Wood Bros.

A Suggestion.

In a letter to the Brecker's Gazette (Jan. 1, H. Pickrell, of this county, makes the following suggestion: Fair grounds generally cost a good deal of money if fitted up conveniently for fair purposes, especially so if to be used only one week in the year, as they generally are; the other fifty-one weeks being a nuisance and an annoyance to the officers to take care of them. It seems to me that the city or town where the fair is held should join with the agricultural board in fitting up the grounds, so that they might be used the other fifty-one weeks as public parks. It cannot be denied that most western towns are very deficient in the way of such places. Better fair grounds and better parks could thus be more cheaply provided than it made separately.

The above suggestion is a good one, and Deatur people ought to act upon it.

About Country Roads.

The State Board of Agriculture, which has been in session this week at Springfield, has given country roads their attention. The board represents the farming, mechanical and agricultural interests of the state, and the adoption of the following resolution voices the feelings of the members of the association:

Resolved, That this board recommends to the taxpayers of the several townships of Illinois the improvement of the act of the last General Assembly entitled "Hard Roads," and approved June 1883, the terms of said law being that to make it effective it must be adopted by a majority of the voters at the annual town elections.

One-Third Off.

150 Misses' and Children's Cloaks and Haverlocks.
100 Russian Crepehats, Paleots and Dolmans.
40 Ladies' light all-wool Jackets.
30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks.
50 pairs of white and colored Blankets.
1 dozen Bed Comforts.
50 dozens Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.
200 dozen all-wool and merino Ladies', misses' and children's Hosiery.

A very large stock of Knit and Crotchet goods, children's Sacques, Undersuits, Mitts, Goggles, Booties, men's Cardigan Jackets, ladies' Knit Waists, Flannels, Water Proof, Velvets, Shawls, Yarn and Zephyrs, and Worsted Dress Goods.

A discount of 33 cents on each dollar will be allowed on the above enumerated goods on all cash purchases.

All goods marked in plain selling figures.

18 Merchant St. CHEAP STORE. 2d & 1st W.

Ladies' Shoes: low prices; J. W. Baker.

For perfect fitting clothing go and see J. W. Baker.

Ladies' Shoes: low prices; J. W. Baker. Please note the fact that Linn & Scruggs do not advertise goods in season as well as out of season at panic prices, as is common with competitors, and proof of incompetency or knavery, and that they are therefore more entitled to the confidence of the public. They offer goods at the close of the season at greatly reduced prices. Jan 2-d&w

Men, Boys, Children's

Seasonable Hats and Caps, all Styles and Shapes, at Fleury's, the French Tailor.

Cheerful made nothing at manufacturer's prices, at Cheaper Clothing.

Seniors' Shoes: low prices; J. W. Baker.

Leading styles, low prices, and square dealing, are leaders with Cheaper Clothing.

THE BOND MATTER.

HILLSBORO, Ill., Jan. 3.—The late defendants in the Bond trial spent last night in the court house under the protection of Sheriff Pyle and his deputies. The jury also slept there, as that stronghold afforded the safest quarters against a possible mob. This morning old John Montgomery, Lee Pettus and several of the female witnesses took the 7 o'clock train for their homes in Christian county.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Judge Bradwell, of the Legal News, was last night elected President of the Chicago Press Club.

Reports from the region about Wichita, Kan., show quite a heavy loss of cattle and hogs from the late snow storms.

Gen. Grant received many visitors in New York yesterday. He is recovering rapidly from the strain received in his late accident.

The Ironquois and Cook County Democratic Club, of Chicago, last night appointed a committee to go to Washington to work toward securing the next Democratic National Convention for that city.

Four men engaged in painting at Dubuque, Iowa, yesterday, were asphyxiated by the fumes from an open stove used in drying paint in the room where they were at work. One of the men may not recover.

Barnum Makes His Last Will.

P. T. Barnum has just finished his last will. In order that there might be no question as to his sanity he had several eminent physicians examine him. The will covers 700 pages of closely written legal cap, and disposes of property valued at \$10,000,000 to twenty-seven heirs. His interest in the Barnum, Bailey & Hutchinson show is valued at \$3,500,000. He makes bequests to numerous charitable institutions, and to the city of Bridgeport he gives the only water front not already owned by private corporations.

The latest fish story comes from Louisiana. Recently, it reads, a gentleman traveling was overtaken by a storm and suddenly almost felled to the ground by a catfish that struck him on the head. In a moment he was literally pelted with the fishes, so that his horse ran away and he was in great danger. Several thousand of the fishes were rained down in this way, and it was finally discovered that a whirlwind had scooped them up, carried them off, and hurled them again upon the ground.

An important question of etiquette was decided at the President's New Year's reception. The point was whether, there being no President's or Vice President's wife, the wife of the Speaker ranked the wives of the Secretary of State and Chief Justice as "the first lady of the land." A precedent was established on New Year's Day, for when the hour for the reception arrived, Mrs. Carlisle, wife of the Speaker of the House, came in upon the President's arm and took her place at his right. Mrs. Carlisle is, therefore, in accordance with the law of etiquette, "the first lady of the land."

The postmaster general has sent to congress a report of the committee appointed to prepare an improved plan for carrying the mails on railroad routes. The committee finds that each decade has witnessed a doubling of the service, and if the present rates of increase and pay are maintained, the year 1900 will see a service by mail of at least 200,000 miles, with an annual cost of \$25,000,000. The committee makes a number of recommendations looking to the greater efficiency and economy of the service.

It is true that Sergeant Mason is to get \$1,000 a week for exhibiting himself and family in a Philadelphia dime museum, as reported, he will very quickly come into the means of "living the quiet life" for which he sighs. It is wonderful what value a little manly sentimentality attaches to a man's notoriety.

JOHN FRANK, formerly publisher of the Virginia Enquirer, this state, now living in Florida, while riding through Wilkes county, Georgia, near the Florida line, recently discovered a lot of jewelry and other valuables which are believed to be the treasure concealed by the Confederate government shortly before its collapse.

The Illinois Central R. R. will run an Excursion to the Tennessee Dairyman's Convention, leaving Decatur at 5:25 p. m., February 12, 1884. The Convention will be held at Jackson, Tennessee, Feb. 13th and 14th, presided over by Commissioner McWhorter, of Nashville. A premium of \$10.00 each has been offered for the best package of Creamery and Dairy Butter of not less than 5 pounds each, and the Illinois Central will transport free from points on their line to and from the convention, not to exceed one package to each exhibitor. They will also transport free, samples of pans, cans, churns, workers, rollers and other creamery appliances to be exhibited at the convention. For programme of convention and excursion circulars apply to the undersigned, at Macabreth, Iowa.

J. F. Mann, Agent.

CHESTER, ILL., JAN. 1, 1884.

EDITOR'S REPUBLICAN:—The opening of the New Year finds the business, social and political elements of Chester and its environs in full session, prosperous and booming, and having marks and indications of broad and prolonged prosperity. The prison industries, comprising the Pettengill Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co., the Mitchell and Needles Brick Co. and the extensive stone quarry (operated by the state), are working to their utmost capacity, producing a daily output of 800 pairs of boots and shoes, 50,000 bricks, and stone in all shapes and without limit. In the social circles the departure of the old and the arrival of the new year were celebrated with a grand dress ball, which in every way proved a success, and was the event of the season. In the matrimonial market, however, we are sorry to say, business is rather slack. There is plenty of material in sight, and while a great deal of skinning has taken place, yet few goods have changed hands. Prices are not extremely high, but it is greatly feared that the bulk of the present stock will have to be held over for another season. The stagnation in this important trade we cannot account for, but painful as it is we are forced to confess that there is a general feeling of distrust among buyers, and some of those who have made recent purchases seem to be dissatisfied with their bargain and would like to trade their stock for a much smaller quantity of a little better quality. But we hope this state of things will improve in the Leap Year.

In the political arena everybody is ready or getting ready for the coming conflict. The Democrats and Republicans have as yet settled on no candidates for President, but in the fight for Governor the campaign has commenced, and the two great parties are grappling each other in dead earnest. The Democrats are singularly united on Carter H. Harrison, a man from Chicago, and the Republicans are to a man for "Uncle Dick" Oglesby. The old soldiers, the young soldiers, the Germans, in short all the Republicans, officeholders and all, and even a few Democrats, are loud in their praise of preference for and determination to elect the gray-haired soldier of Corinth. No one also but Harrison and Oglesby are thought of or heard of here.

Wishing you, the representatives of the REPUBLICAN, and all the people of the dear old city of Decatur a Happy New Year, I am,

Respectfully yours,

I. N. MELTON.

The career of the late Congressman Haskell, of Kansas, illustrates forcibly what energy and pluck will do for a man. Haskell was by no means a brilliant man, but had very mediocre natural abilities; but his resolute energy and tenacity made up for all other qualifications which he lacked. He was a merchant in Kansas, engaged in the boot and shoe business in a small town, when adversity overtook him and left him completely bankrupt. Nothing dismayed, he began life again, and ended it with the reputation of being one of the hardest-working and most conscientious members of Congress.

Iowa City has a legend that a contractor, who defrauded the government of \$60,000 in gold, buried his money near an old line kiln during the war, and, after a short residence, went back East and died in a hospital in Washington before he could remove his treasure. The land on which the treasure is said to have been buried has changed owners several times, each successive holder trying to find it, but their efforts have so far been fruitless.

The Vicksburg Post of a recent date contains a detailed account of the murder of Matthews at Hazardsburg, Copiah county, Miss., on last election day, written by a resident of said county and a Democrat. This account makes it still clearer that the murder was unprovoked and due entirely to political animosity. The Post, in commenting upon it, says: "It would be strange if even a community of savages could honestly sanction such a terrible murder," and yet the Democrats of Copiah county, assembled in mass meeting, did that very thing, while the body of the murdered man lay yet unburied; and the man who did the killing is now city marshal of Hazardsburg.

The Brooklyn Eagle wishes the country to understand that there is one Democratic organ, at least, that has the courage of its convictions on the tariff issue. It declares the "incidental protection" idea as connected with the doctrine of a tariff for revenue only "is nothing but a cover in every skulking Democrat and timid tariff reformer has taken refuge." The proper Democratic shibboleth in the present emergency, it adds, is "Drive the cowards out."

Geo. Andrews, owner of the Lowell Carpet Corporation, was for over twenty years, before his removal to Lowell, its locations actually covered more than half the surface of his body and limbs. He was entirely cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. See certificates in Ayer's Almanac for 1883.

Special Notice—Excursions.

Excursions to Southeast Kansas and Southwest Missouri on Tuesdays, Jan. 8th and 22d, over the W. & St. L. R. R. to Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, West Plains and Arkansas City. And to all points in Kansas and Nebraska. For maps, circulars and rates for these excursions apply to nearest Wabash, St. L. & Pacific agent, or call on or write to Excursion Agents, Excursion Agent, Decatur, Ill.

Boys' Annual Sale at Slin's, Ill.

1 Night Means One Ought Not to Wish to See More Than Once in a Lifetime.

[London Letter in later issue.] Few male visitors to London are not acquainted with the neighborhood of Piccadilly Circus and the top of the Haymarket, and many American ladies also know it, but the latter are consequently only acquainted with its daylight character. At night it wears a different aspect. No respectable woman should be seen in this locality after 8 or 9 o'clock without an escort, and even with a protector she would better be in a cab than on the sidewalks. One sees here a miniature of the gayest life of Paris. The glare of the cafes, the rich and tasteful toilets of the females, and the many men to be seen in full evening dress, all remind you of that city, though, of course, the scene lacks much of the Parisian brilliancy.

This panorama of gaiety begins when the ordinary shops have closed, and the illumination and grand finale is reached when, half an hour after midnight, the nickel crowds pour out from the fashionable places of entertainment. Then you witness sights such as one ought not to wish to see more than once in a lifetime. The Criterion side of Regent Street, below the circus, is one continuous mass of a pleasure-seeking humanity—the sterner and gentler exoskeletons with the utmost abandon, the police seeming to have no higher mission than simply to keep the throng in motion. You may sing, swear, carouse, and utter the loudest talk, but you must move on. The families are elegantly dressed, and many of them, in the light, seem to have pretty faces, but liquor and methane have destroyed all sense of decency, and as you watch their frolics you blush for the sex they disgrace. The men, I regret to say, are not all young, nor are the youngest the most reckless in their actions. One sees a fellow who knows little of the world, and has few obligations resting upon them, for the hope is that age will teach them discretion. But many gray-headed sinners are there—some, doubtless, having wives and daughters who have regard them as general nuisances.

This scene is enacted nightly throughout the whole year. The characters change, but the play goes on. A few weeks hence many of the male participants will have resumed habits of respectability. The older will have gone back to the bosoms of their unsuspecting families, and some of the younger may, perchance, have led some pure maiden to the altar. Some of the females, too, will have gone, but the change for these will mean, not an upward, but a downward career—a deeper plunge into the abyss of vice or a plunge, it may be, in some moment of overwhelming despair, into the Thames.

Occasionally, as at a week ago, this scene is varied by the introduction into it of additional elements of uproariousness and even of violence. That night the cafes were closed at 9 o'clock. They had to close up in self-protection, for a mob of malicious students took possession and were really making a line of the furniture. Turned into the streets, these men, whose natures would be better indicated if the first letter in those initials were changed for a B, betook themselves to the noble pastime of smashing gentlemen's hats and of heaping greater indignities than any upon the luckless fellows who were in the neighborhood. The fun continued till the early morning, and no arrests were made, the explanation being that it was the anniversary of the prince of Wales' birthday, and that those gay young sparks were given annual license to thus make merry over the event.

Judge Marshall and the Wine.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] The following incident is related by Josiah Quincy as having been told him by Justice Story, of that court, the father of the incident. It was mentioned in speaking of the rule prevailing in 1826 among the justices of the supreme court in regard to the acceptance of social invitations and the use of wine. Judge Story said of himself and the other members of the supreme court:

"We judges take no part in Washington society. We dine once a year with the president, and that is all. On other days we take our dinner together and discuss at table the questions which are argued before us. We are great socialists, and even give ourselves wine, except in an accident."

Here the judge paused as if thinking that the act of mortification he had mentioned placed some tax on human credulity, and presently added: "What I say about the wine, sir, gives you our rule; but it does sometimes happen that the chief justice will say to me, when the cloth is removed, 'Brother Story, step to the window and see if it does not look like rain.' And if I tell him that the sun is shining brightly, Judge Marshall will sometimes reply, 'All the better, for our jurisdiction extends over so large a territory that the clouds of changes make it certain that it must be raining somewhere.'"

"You know that the chief was brought up upon Federalism and Madeira, and he is not the man to outgrow his early prejudices."

What the Throne of England is Made Of.

[New York News.] The throne of England, so splendid when covered with silk velvet and gold, is, in fact, only an "old oak chair" over 600 years in use for the British monarch. Its existence has been traced back to the days of Edward I. The wood is very hard and solid. The back and sides were formerly painted in various colors and the seat is made of a rough-looking sandstone twenty-six inches in length, seven inches in breadth and nineteen and a half in thickness, and in this stone lies the grand peculiarity of the chair. Numerous legends are told in connection with it, the truth probably being that it was originally taken from Ireland to Scotland, and served at the coronation of the early Scottish kings.

Christmas—Is Coming.

Barber & Baker have the finest line of Christmas Slippers ever brought to Decatur, and for the least money. Call and get a pair and make some one happy. 18-d&w

Finest Slippers: Christmas present J. W. Baker.

Cordwood, Storewood and Chunks will receive prompt attention by ordering of Geo. Ehrhart, or Telephone 139. Dec. 27, dlm.

Stine's Surprise Party.

His new line of latest styles of neckwear. Dec. 27, dlm.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of CHARLES DUBOIN, deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the estate of Charles Duboin, late of the county of Macoupin and State of Illinois, do hereby give notice that he will appear before the county court of Macoupin, at the court house in Decatur, Mo., on the 1st day of January, 1884, at which time a list of persons claiming to be entitled to a share of the estate is to be presented, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 2nd day of January, 1884. J. B. BAKER, Executor.

88-d&w Linn & Scruggs.

The latest agency in piece goods for Overcoats and Suits, at Fleury's, the French Cutter.

Finest slippers: Christmas present J. W. Baker.

WANTED, LOST, FOUND, &c.

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

WANTED—A good reliable girl, at 433 West Prairie street. Jan 1-d&w

TO EXCHANGE—Choice Kansas Farms and Stock Ranches to exchange for merchandise. For particulars, call on W. W. Gray, Logan, Kansas. Jan 1-d&w

3,000—Per week for board and lodging. Mrs. C. Jones can accommodate a few boarders at her old stand at the above rates. Jan 1-d&w

FOR SALE—A young milk cow. Apply at No. 45, across the street from the South West school house. Mrs. J. C. Jones. Jan 1-d&w

LOST—On Sunday morning in front of or near the S. D. Hart's barn, a pair of gold spectacles in a leather case. \$2 reward will be paid for their return to the store of Dapier & Co. Jan 1-d&w

A RARE CHANCE—To rent a house of 10 rooms, water, gas and good bath and coal. In large pleasant grounds; located on West Central Ave. between 1st and 2nd Sts. of R. R. 1st St. 87 North Church street. Jan 1-d&w

FOR RENT—House on northeast corner of Whiting and Church streets. Immediate possession given. Apply to W. C. JOHNS. Jan 1-d&w

MURDER WILL OUT—J. C. Williams has just opened a new grocery and provision store at 74 East William street, where can be found all kinds of staple and fancy groceries. Give him a call and examine his prices. Jan 1-d&w

SAVINGS FUND BUILDING ASSOCIATION. Summons of the first Tuesday night of each month. SIX PER CENT INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS. See advertisement of Fifth Street Savings Fund Building Association. Jan 1-d&w

TO EUROPE—By North German Lloyd S. S. Co. Steamer across the ocean, with a stop at New York to England or Bremen, \$30.00; from Bremen or England to New York, \$30.00; Steamer, Cabin, \$10.00 and \$20.00. Call for information on THOS. A. GILBERTSON. Jan 1-d&w

BLACKSMITHING—I wish to inform the public that I have located the blacksmith shop at No. 84 East Wood street, near the Central Railway, where I am prepared to do all kinds of blacksmithing, wagon and buggy repairing. Please put in order. Horse-shoeing, etc., at the lowest prices. Satisfaction guaranteed. J. JOSEPH H. LIDKINS. Jan 1-d&w

FOR RENT—Very comfortable unfurnished room at the southeast corner South Main and Wood streets, between S. R. & S. S. Street, 200 corner South Main and Front street. No. 30, ditto. Jan 1-d&w

FOR RENT—An office on second floor, and two sleeping rooms on third floor, over Henry's. J. M. CHAMBERLAIN. Jan 1-d&w

NOTICE—Joe McGarry has not sold his house, but will continue the business as usual. Call at the old stand, on Water street, south of DEARBORN street. McGARRY, owner. Jan 1-d&w

ROOFING—R. M. Dodd, Practical Roofing, Slate, and Iron roofs a specialty. Tin, copper and sheet iron work of all kinds done to order. Repairing and repainting of roofs of all kinds done with neatness and dispatch. Estimates furnished free of charge. Office, State Street, 2d door from East William St., Decatur, Illinois. J. W. DODD. Jan 1-d&w

DECATUR SCHOOL OF ELOCUTION.

MISS LENA HENKLE, Dramatic Reader and Teacher of Elocution, Grammar and Reading, in her various classes, will meet on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, commencing Monday, from 2 to 4 P. M., in room No. 10, Block, 2nd St. W. Entrance on Water street. Jan 1-d&w

DR. H. J. SPENCER.

HOMOEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN. Office 132 North Water street. Residence 473 West Prairie street. Jan 1-d&w

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MONDAY, JAN. 8

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All the Original Comic Effects.

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THE OLD FEATHER BED.

BUNCH OF HARRIS.

The Finest Play Ever Written.

Popular prices, 15, 25 and 50 cents. No extra charge for reserved seats.

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Will be open SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1884, for the reception of pupils in VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CULTURE. Tuition, one term of ten weeks, two private and one class lesson per week, \$50.00. Address, Mrs. S. B. OAKES, Agent.

EXECUTOR'S SALE—Abstract Books.

Notice is hereby given, that on Saturday, January 20th, 1884, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and noon, at the office of the county clerk of Macoupin, in the presence of the undersigned, the abstract books of Macoupin, Illinois, in accordance with an order of the county court of Macoupin, Illinois, will be sold to the highest bidder. Terms of sale—one-third cash, balance in six months. MICHAEL ELSON, Executor of the last will, &c., of William Searns. Dec. 28-d&w

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WE WILL OFFER

During January an unusually fine line of Ladies' and Gents' Gold Watches!

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Decatur, Jan. 8, 1884 -d&wt

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Oct. 24 -d&wt

CHAMPION MONITOR. GARLAND.

We Greet our Patrons by Wishing Them All

A Happy New Year!

And in this connection desire to return our thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed upon us during 1883. During the first year in our new location our business has far exceeded our most sanguine expectations, and now with a largely increased stock of Hardware, Mantels, Grates, &c., and the largest and best stock of STOVES in the county, it shall be our aim, through fair dealing and courteous treatment, to merit an increased patronage during 1884.

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FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 4, 1884.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

We have just returned from New York with new prices on Rogers Bros' 1847 Knives. See us.

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.
Don't shoot quail.

Tuesday night—"McSorley's Induction."

The New Opera Orchestra will give dances this winter.

Patron shooting gallery, opposite post office.

Justices find business "pretty thin picking" just now, and likewise remark the police officers.

F. D. CALDWELL can furnish you any kind of wood on short notice. 27d1m

Did you hear the news? Burbank opens the lecture course Jan. 10th at the opera house. Gallery tickets 35 cents.

SAM LEE, 130 North Water street—mink, ermine, seals, 10 cents, collars, 5 cents, cuffs, 5 cents per pair. dec 11-dly

Cheeks always on hand at Geo. Ehrhardt's wood yard. dec 27d1m

J. B. BULLARD, the undertaker, has the finest carriages and teams to let for weddings, parties, calls and funerals, to be found in the west. Elegant turnouts every one of them. Leave orders at Bullard's, Telephone 125. dec 29d1m

F. D. CALDWELL has the best grades of hard wood. dec 17d1m

It was 1 degree below zero, and they had 8 inches of snow at Marshall, Judge Wilkin's home, on yesterday morning.

Get shelled oysters, loose hay, screenings, oil meal, and other horse feed, at Tuller & Parke's, near tabernacle.

Excursion Dancers at 1884, and the Lancers Almanac, at the City Book Store. 29-d&wt

Mrs. W. M. W. and Children's Artistic Overcoats, at BARKER & BARKER'S.

LADIES' SHOES: low prices; J. W. Baker

JUDITH ZANE recently decided in the Sangamon county court that a bill against a candidate for liquor and cigars furnished his supporters was an illegal obligation, against public policy and morals, and therefore void.

Given Peter Ulrich a call. He keeps a full line of family groceries, delivered to any part of the city.

Do not suffer with cold, you can by a suit of underwear at John Irwin's White Front, for 75 cents.

Yesterday B. B. Campbell and Mr. Downs, the bird man, went sleighing in a cutter. The horse ran away on Marietta street, and Mr. Campbell was thrown out and seriously injured about the hips. Mr. Downs went over and lit on a bed of snow and ice. The gentleman had a narrow escape.

The C. B. Prescott music parlor in opera block is the place to see magnificent instruments. Inspect the Haines Bros. pianos. They have no equals.

An elegant assortment of gents' fine embroidered night shirts at B. Stine's.

LADIES' SHOES: low prices; J. W. Baker

Strut in and see D. F. Hamsher. He will give you a dandy center at a low figure. Buy now.

They now have 97 saloons at Springfield, giving a revenue of \$48,500. The Journal says this is the largest amount ever received in one year from a similar source in Springfield.

First Slippers: Christmas present—J. W. Baker.

LADIES' SHOES: low prices; J. W. Baker

In Justice Lowry's court last evening Mrs. Ayres was fined \$3 and costs for assault and battery. The complainant was Mrs. Samuel Kipp. The testimony at the trial was quite a revelation to spectators unacquainted with the parties.

EXCELLENT family groceries, fresh golden butter and reliable eggs, at Hanks & Patterson's store, 141 South Water street.

HARD and SOFT COAL at Martin's. nov 12-dly

At J. W. Tyler's shop you can get a fine set of harness and receive a prize. Mr. Tyler has a fine line of goods.

WHAT everybody says, must be true. Flory is a perfect anatomist in fitting the human form divine. O. F. H. Corner old square.

SENIOR: Shoes: low prices; J. W. Baker

ALWAYS ask for Seniors' excellent Bohemian cigars, the very best nickel smokers.

Go to Dr. Thomas S. Hoskins to get your dental work done. Cor. Main and Water streets. Decatur, Ill. 21d1m

COME and see our Grand display of fine overcoats and suits for the holidays. CHEAP CLOTHING.

Holiday Papers.

The Republican acknowledges the receipt to-day of the illustrated holiday edition of The Wellington, published at Wellington, Kansas. The paper gives a fine picture of the Astor Flouring Mills, owned by G. F. Hargis and W. W. Clark. The mill is the best establishment and is one of the best in the west.

Hon. E. O. Smith favors us with the 16-page Christmas edition of the San Jose (Cal.) Daily Mercury, which is profusely illustrated.

Coming Fun.

"McSorley's Induction" is the name of a play to be given here Tuesday night, when the prices of admission will be 35, 50 and 75 cents. Read what the Philadelphia Record said of the production:

"The play is patchworked on the same general pattern as the Mulligan series, and depends for its popularity mostly upon the ability of the artists who present it. In this instance the cast of characters for the principal parts is admirable. Mr. Kearney as Alderman McSorley, Mr. J. H. Ryan as Dr. Mulligan, Mr. James Fox as Rufus Rutherford, Mr. James Turner as Caroline Melrose, Mr. Max Arnold as August Fink, Mr. Bourke as Dennis Melrose, and Miss Mary as Clara Melrose, particularly distinguish themselves. The lodge-poke quibbles, of love, jealousy, and adventure, in half a dozen dialects, which make up the play, is pleasantly seasoned by songs and recitations of exceptional merit. An audience that literally jammed the theatre full, laughed itself hoarse over the absurdity and comicalities of the piece."

ORDER your hard coal from F. D. Caldwell, F. O. Block.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term, 1883—Judge J. W. Whitkin Presiding.

FRIDAY, JAN. 4.

Court convened at 8:30 a. m.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Emma L. Oliver vs. S. H. Morrell et al., chancery; defendant to bill sustained, and leave given to file an answer to bill Jan. 14th.

Isaac Shullabarger vs. David T. Bannan et al.; foreclosure; report of Master Experte Samuel Frantz et al.; partition; report of commissioners approved and decree given.

PEOPLES' DOCKET.

Henry Williams, indicted for giving liquor to a minor, pleaded guilty to six counts, and the prisoner was sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail for 90 days, with pay costs.

People vs. John E. Alford; rape; motion by defendant to have bill reduced; bill reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,000.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

The jury trial of Greene vs. Hamilton is still pending.

ALBION NOTES.

Constable Huff came down from Maroa this forenoon, bringing with him Frank Myers, Daniel and Henry McDonald, Charles McConry, John Bigger and Chas. Vaughn, all indicted for racing and riot in Austin township last summer, when Miss Annie Knott was run down by horses ridden by the accused and seriously injured. She is now unable to walk without the aid of crutches. She had to quit teaching school for a time, but continued teaching again last Monday.

Amos Hiett and Harry Riley were also indicted for riot, but they cannot be found, as one is absent in Iowa and the other in Texas. The parties under arrest gave bail in the sum of \$200 each for their appearance for trial Jan. 14th.

Assembly Dances.

We learn that the New Opera Orchestra is arranging to give a series of assembly dances at the armory, similar to those that were given by Prof. Leonard. Such invitation dances, occurring weekly or semi-weekly, could not but prove a source of much pleasure to many young people, besides making for the purpose of the musical organization named.

Belated Mail.

Business was quite lively at the Decatur postoffice this morning, and unusual activity was noticeable. Two days' belated mail from Chicago came piling in, together with delayed mail from the east. The whole batch was quickly handled and got into the boxes in good time.

A Prize Drawing.

To-morrow forenoon at 10 o'clock the Irwin & Priest donation drawing will take place at the tabernacle. Every touch ticket drawn will be a prize number, the first to win \$100; the second, \$50; the third, \$30, and the fourth, \$20. Altogether 40 tickets will be drawn out, and four will get the cash above stated, and the balance of duplicate numbers for the other 36 tickets will get a prize of a dollar's worth of goods to be had at "Our Drug Store."

The Coldest Night.

Last night was the coldest one we have had this winter, the thermometer registering 4 to 7 below zero. It is quite chilly to-day. Dealers have commenced harvesting ice. The cakes are anywhere from 8 to 9 inches thick.

Out \$10 in gold.

John Atkinson, who has been a driver of one of the street cars for the Citizens' Company, lost his pocket-book last night somewhere on the streets. The book contained a ten dollar gold piece, the recovery of which would make John exceedingly glad, as this is a hard winter and ten dollar pieces are scarce.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. H. Glover and sister are at the New Downing.

Mrs. T. B. Johns and son, and Mrs. A. J. Kelly, of Terre Haute, sisters of Mrs. Charles Johns, are at the St. Nicholas.

Dr. Spencer, late of New York State, has located permanently in Decatur. His residence is at 453 West Prairie street.

C. W. Chellis came down from Bloomington last evening on the passenger train which did not get here until after 9 o'clock.

Hon. J. A. Rice, of Paoli, is in town to-day, and took occasion to call and renew his subscription to the Republican.

Cabe Baldwin has resigned his position as ticket agent for the Illinois Central.

His successor will be H. S. Shady, who will come here from El Paso.

Dr. A. C. Douglas, formerly of Decatur, has purchased the big hotel at Belmont and taken possession. The Dr. will make the hotel a popular place.

Secretary Temple left for Bloomington this afternoon, to attend a district convention. He will read a paper on the work of a general secretary. He will return home to-morrow evening.

Mr. Comly Lukens will start this evening for Florida, to be absent until spring. He goes on a tour of exploration, and expects to visit different portions of the state.

Major Emery passed through Decatur today en route for his home at Maroa. He will go to Washington with the Illinois Press Association and take Mrs. Emery along with him.

Miss Mollie Beall has returned home after an absence of four months visiting relatives at Champaign and St. Louis. She had a most delightful visit, and her friends would have been glad to have had her remain with them longer.

\$15.00 Out.

At Monticello the residence of Prof. H. B. Funk, of the Bulletin, was burglarized on last Sunday night, and about \$15.00 in money turned in a direction that knows no return. And thus is added another lesson of the folly of a city editor having any "spot cash." So says the Monticello Bulletin.

Dr. Brown's New Office.

Dr. J. Brown has taken possession of his elegant new office in Haworth Block. He occupies the two north rooms on the second floor, Water street side, near the street elevator. Parties can reach the office either by ascending the main staircase, south side of building, or by elevator, entrance northeast corner of block. 4-36

The gifted midwest electioneers, the Pease Sisters, Beatie, Jessie and Ella, aged 4, 6 and 8 respectively, gave a reading at Sidney this week which pleased the people so highly that the entertainment is to be repeated Saturday evening in connection with a vocal and instrumental concert. The three little girls, whose home is in Decatur, have been given careful instruction by Mrs. M. L. Cain. The little folks may make a tour of the country and give a series of entertainments. They have often delighted Decatur audiences by their selections.

Mr. John Bowby.

This well-to-do farmer, who attempted to kill himself Saturday morning west of Maroa by taking strychnine, is now out of danger. His brother, a carpenter at Bloomington, called to see him this week and had a talk with him about his business and family affairs. It is stated that Mr. Bowby thinks of disposing of all his property and going west with his family. His trouble is directly traceable to hard drinking. He is a man well liked by all his neighbors, and all of them were surprised and grieved when they heard that the old man had attempted to kill himself. They don't think he will try it again.

Home Talent.

The Conservatory entertainment given at the opera house last night was witnessed by a very small audience numerically. Part first included vocal and instrumental selections, the choruses and numbers given by Miss Trowbridge, Miss Griwald, Misses Mayne Lewis and Emma Andrews, Misses Nora Thomas and Lizzie Knipper, being especially worthy of mention. Miss Lou Knipper was the accompanist for the choruses. The performance concluded with Ballo's operetta, "The Sleeping Queen," in which roles were taken by Miss Mattie Trowbridge, Mrs. Nellie Brady, Wm. Westhoff and G. V. Demorest; all appeared in appropriate costumes. Miss Trowbridge as the "Queen of Honor" and Mrs. Brady as the "Maids of Honor" were liberally applauded. They acquitted themselves very creditably and made a good impression.

There will be no entertainment at the opera house to-night. The attendance last night was so slim that Mr. Carlstedt will not venture another concert. Those who have purchased Friday night tickets will have their money refunded. 1d

A Card.

Eds. REPUBLICAN: In answer to the would-be great man's card in the Morning Herald, the Orchestra would say not being engaged in a business-like manner to play for the "great hit" of the season, did not feel under any obligations to furnish music for them. We were never engaged until yesterday morning, and of course could not play the music without a rehearsal. We don't claim to be professors of music and give concerts, and in regard to our selections last evening, they were all new except one. We make the above statement in justice to ourselves, and hope the public will take the unjust statement in the Herald for what it is worth, giving us the benefit of the doubt, and think they had better get the new orchestra for to-night as we do not care to be punished another night for something we didn't do.

(Signed) OPERA HOUSE ORCHESTRA.

HAPPY SOCIAL HOURS.

Brilliant Party at W. M. Boyd's Residence—Other Pleasant Gatherings.

AT BOYD'S.

A very enjoyable social party was given last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Boyd, No. 518 West North street, at which their daughter, Miss Sarah Boyd, did the honors of the occasion. The reception was one of the brilliant social events of the winter. An abundance of choice refreshments were served at a seasonable hour. Dancing was kept up until a later hour, for which Prof. Leonard furnished fine music and served as prompter. The company of young people present included Misses Lelah Race, Carrie Leonard, Ella Race, Carrie Cooper, Dot Wulfgott, Emma Andrews, Mary Lloyd, Pauny Grimes, Lulu Elwood, Cora Hunsmer, Myrtle Green, Eva Hunter, Ann Lower, Grace McCaughey, Annie McLaughlin, Belle Burrows, Maud Morehouse, Mary Miller, Nania Ferriss, Anna Dinges, Lottie Durfee, Cora Chambers, Edith Davis, Mattie Evans, Daisy Durfee, Lizzie Gattman, Mabel Durfee, Mamie Freeman, Jennie Wells, Jennie Chambers, Stella Fuller, Otis Alexander, Pet Milk, Bertha Randall, Lily Lantz, and Messrs. Will Quinn, Edgar Alexander, Henry Prather, Fred Tuttle, Dick Roberts, Lewis Griwald, Lou Race, Tom McKennide, Harry Guesney, Edith Warren, Walter Lower, Guy Zander, Will H. North, Adolf Gattman, Ben Shockey, Charlie Leonard, Budl Ferriss, Charlie Lantz, Walter Boyd, W. H. Trail.

OTHER GATHERINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Ranoff entertained a number of friends from Mechanicsville last night. They included Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Teller, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fullinwider, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fullinwider, Captain and Mrs. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bullard and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bullard. The company partook of a superb supper.

A pleasant party was given last evening in honor of Miss Alice Fuller, of Jacksonville, at the home of Miss Mamie Wood.

Club Meeting.

The members of the Young Ladies' Cooking Club and friends will meet this evening at the residence of Mr. W. C. Johns, and be entertained by Miss Laura Johns. Tea will be served, after which the hours will be given up to social pleasures.

The Abner Bond Suicide.

The REPUBLICAN printed an account of the suicide New Year's day of Abner Bond at Taylorville. The Taylorville Republican thus speaks of Mr. Bond, who was an uncle of Emma Bond: "Mr. Bond was a man of strong and vigorous mind. So far as is known, he had not a personal enemy on earth. He was known as the most popular man in Taylorville. So far as is known, there was no cause for the suicide. His domestic relations were pleasant. He was in independent circumstances financially, owning over a thousand acres of the best land in the county, and valuable city property. He was, apparently, in the enjoyment of robust and vigorous health. His family report that, during the past few days, he has worried a great deal in regard to the Bund outrage trial, at Hillsboro. He was a relative of Miss Emma Bond. It will be remembered that she was at his house at the time of the alleged attempted abduction. It must be conceded by all that whatever may have been the cause of the suicide, one of the best and noblest men of this section of Illinois has passed away. Mr. Bond was about 55 years of age. His estate is supposed to be worth from \$50,000 to \$100,000. He leaves a wife and five children."

Y. A. H. & L. Co.

Regular meeting to-night at 7:30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

Masonic.

Regular meeting of Mason Lodge No. 8, this (Friday) evening, for installation of officers. JOHN W. HARTLEY, W. M. W. L. HAMMER, Sec.

Steam Washer.

No family will be without the Steam Washer when they know its merits. Jan. 3—dly

Buy your hard coal at Martin's. oct 20d1m

THAT BROKEN BANK.

S. H. Morrell Turns Over \$40,000 Worth of Property For the Benefit of Creditors.

The failure of the Lovington bank has already been noted in these columns. The concern went up to the tune of \$45,000, and the cash assets and notes foot up only \$12,000. The bank was started 10 years ago by Z. T. Banks in the name of S. H. Morrell. It is stated that a year or two ago Banks lost \$4,000 on the Chicago board of trade, and it is supposed he used deposits to pay losses. The Sullivan Journal states that, "Those been posted are of the opinion that Banks' loose way of doing business is the cause of the failure. He made a great many poor investments, and let some of the best profits to be obtained in the banking business slip through his fingers. It costs money to run a bank, and in time the expense item coupled with bad investments and a meager amount of business would eat a large hole in \$35,000 worth of deposits. As an instance of how Banks did business, it is said that his books show that F. & J. Landers have a balance of \$2,000 in their favor. Messrs. Landers say they had about \$150 due them. Mr. Morrell, in whose name the bank has been run and who is liable for the losses, made an assignment Tuesday evening, turning over all his property, amounting to about \$40,000 to the creditors. In company with his attorney, John R. Eden, he met the creditors at Lovington Tuesday. Banks and W. G. Cochran, his attorney, were present. This was before Mr. Morrell had made the assignment, and before the creditors knew what would be done for them. The excitement was made against Banks. Some of the creditors became so wild in their demonstrations that Banks had to be locked up in a room to insure his safety. The deposits were mostly small but some people had left all they had in the bank's care. Banks has gone away temporarily."

Mr. David Martin stated.

While at Delphi, Ind., New Year's day, our fellow townsman, Mr. D. Martin, was agreeably surprised by the presentation of a beautiful gold-headed obelisk from the stock-holders of the Delphi Lino Association, as a testimonial of their appreciation of his services in trying to effect a consolidation of the rival manufacturing firms at Delphi. Mr. Hubbard, of Delphi, made a most little speech in presenting the obelisk, and in reply Mr. Martin said he "fully appreciated the gift and should keep it as long as life lasted, for, like the Apostle Paul, he had 'fought a good fight,' for the Delphi lino and had 'kept the faith' he had in its merits. The obelisk is a beautiful and costly one, appropriately engraved, and was worthily bestowed. Mr. Martin prizes the gift highly."

At Half Rates.

Secretary C. H. Fuller, of the G. A. R. executive committee, has been notified by the Illinois Midland Rail Road Company, that on Jan. 30 and 31, that road will carry passengers attending the G. A. R. Department Encampment in Decatur at one fare for the round trip. Parties entitled to this reduction will have to get certificates on leaving Decatur. Other railways will give excursion rates.

Dinner and Supper.

The ladies of Long Creek will give a dinner and oyster supper on Friday and Saturday evening, Jan. 11th, at the M. E. church of that place, where they will be happy to meet and entertain everyone wishing a good dinner and a sociable time generally. Oysters and other good things in abundance. Admission in the evening 10 cents; proceeds for the benefit of the church.

The Little Monument.

Bloomington people are still active in the commendable work of erecting a handsome monument to the memory of Maria Little, the sweet singer, cut down in her young womanhood. Thus far \$1500 has been raised, all of which sum will be spent for the grave mark. It will be put up next spring.

The State Fair.

It has been arranged that the Illinois State Fair will be held at Chicago, commencing Sept. 8th, 1884, and the fat stock show Nov. 11, in the same city. Chicago made a big thing out of the state fair last year, and will endeavor to hold the exhibition for all time to come. What town will endeavor to snatch the prize from her?

W. C. T. U.

The N. W. C. T. U. has appointed Tuesday, Jan. 8th, as a day of special prayer, and the State Superintendent of Evangelistic Work of the Illinois W. C. T. U., Mrs. Hibben, sends out a circular requesting that meetings be held for that purpose. Accordingly, at our meeting this week it was decided to hold a prayer meeting on that day from 2 until 5 p. m. at the lecture room of the First M. E. church. Three of the Pastors are all have charge of it, each one hour, and all praying people and all temperance people are invited.

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It is wise to provide against emergencies that are liable to arise in any family. A cold may be a dangerous thing, or not, depending upon the means at hand to combat it. In sudden attacks of cold, croup, asthma, etc., Ayer's Cherry Pectoral will prove the quickest and most effective cure, and your best friend. 31

Keep Warm.

You can buy a good overcoat at John Irwin's White Front for \$2.50. Dec. 23, d&wt

Just Received.

New and handsome carpets; also an elegant assortment of embroideries, at Linn & Scruggs. Jan. 20, d&wt

SENIOR: Shoes: low prices; J. W. Baker

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Closing Quotations at L. C. Thompson's Commission Room at 2 p. m. to-day.

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